*336. [*Transferred to the 21st March, 1988*].

Progress in Implementation of 20-Point Programme in Bihar ...

*337. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the Minister of PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the development made in Bihar in respect of implementation of 20-Point Programme during the year 1987; and

(b) what is the extent to which development is likely to be made in the current year in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(i) The performance of Bihar in respect of the implementation of those items of the 20-Point Programme which are monitored on a monthly basis by the Ministry of Programme Implementation and are covered in its Monthly Progress Report is attached [*See* Appendix CXLV, Annexure No. 85].This statement relates to the performance of the period from April '87 to January '88.

(ii) Of the 28 items covered in the Monthly Progress Report, the performance of the Government of Bihar has been categorised as "Very Good" (90 per cent and above of the target) in respect of 21 items listed in the statement *attached*. The performance in respect of the remaining 7 items has been "Poor" (below 80 per cent each), also shown in the *attached* statement. On this basis, performance during the full year is expected to be "Very Good" in respect of the 21 items indicated above.

Talks with Bangladesh on T.N.V. Operations

*338. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether the matter regarding T.N.V. operation from their hide-outs in Bangladesh was taken up at the last SAARC Summit meeting with President Ershad of Bangladesh to end these terrorist activities, if so, what was the agreement reached?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): The subject of Bangladesh's support to the TNV has been taken up with that Government, including at the highest level, on a number of occasions.

During the SAARC Summit meeting in Kathmandu as well, PM had an exchange of views with President Ershad on the problem of cross-border insurgency.

Retirement Benefits to Handicapped Ex-Servicemen

*339. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the retirement benefits being given to the handicapped ex-servicemen employed in Central Government who seek voluntary retirement after putting in 20 years civil service; and

(b) whether they are eligible to receive their military pension alongwith the civil pension?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Central Government servants including handicapped ex-servicemen employed in Central

Government who seek voluntary retirement after completing 20 years of qualifying service are entitled to retiring pension, commutation of admissible portion of pension and the retirement gratuity.

(b) Yes, Sir. A re-employed military pensioner has also the option to count his past military service alongwith re-employed civil service, towards pension due to him on cessation of re-employment.

Provincial Councils in Sri Lanka

*340. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) by when the elections for the provincial councils in the northern and eastern regions in Sri Lanka are likely to be held;

(b) whether this issue was discussed in the meeting held in Delhi recently between our Prime Minister and the President of Sri Lanka; and

(c) if so, what was the outcome of the meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) It is hoped that elections to these two provinces can be held by about the middle of the year.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) I have answered this in part (a), sir.

2-3 वर्ष की सेवा वाले कर्मचारियों का नियमित किया जाना

2327. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मंत्रालयों के विभिन्न विभागों में चतुर्थ श्रेणी कर्मचारियों के रूप में नियुक्त व्यक्तियों को 2-3 वर्षों की सेवा के बाद भी स्थायी नहीं किया जाता जबकि चतुर्थ श्रेणी से ऊपर की श्रेणियों के कर्मचारियों के मामलों में ऐसा नहीं किया जाता ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) क्या सरकार चतुर्थ श्रेणी के कर्मचारियों के सम्बन्ध में इस प्रकार के भेदभाव को निर्धारित अवधि में समाप्त करने तथा उनकी नियुक्तियों को अन्य श्रेणियों के बराबर लाने का विचार रखती है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम) : (क) और (ख) विद्यमान अनुदेशों के अनुसार, चतुर्थ श्रेणी (समूह "घ") के कर्मचारियों सहित, सरकारी कर्मचारियों का स्थायीकरण स्थायी पदों की उपलब्धता पर निर्भर करता है। इसलिए जब कि कुछ मामलों में कर्मचारी द्वारा परिवीक्षा की अवधि को सफलतापूर्वक पूरा करने पर उसे तत्काल स्थायी किया जा सकता है किन्तु अन्य मामलों में परिवीक्षा अवधि को सफलतापूर्वक पूरा करने के बाद भी किसी कर्मचारी को अपने स्थायीकरण के लिए किसी स्थायी पद के उपलब्ध होने तक प्रतीक्षा करनी पड़ सकती है।

(ग) और (घ) भाग (क) और (ख) के उत्तर में दर्शाई गई स्थिति को देखते हुए स्थायीकरण के मामले में चतुर्थ श्रेणी के कर्मचारियों तथा अन्य कर्मचारियों के बीच कोई भेदभाव नही बरता जा रहा है।

Clearance of Projects of West Bengal

2328. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of projects in West Bengal which have been delayed for